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WESTERN CAPE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT LEGOTLA

Invitation: The Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning and the Institute of Marine and Environmental Law, Faculty of Law (University of Cape Town), hereby invite you to the first Western Cape Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Legotla.

Format: The Legotla will focus on concerns/challenges regarding environmental compliance and enforcement issues in the Western Cape, and will assist in identifying possible solutions and innovative ways of overcoming the administrative and regulatory constraints applicable to compliance and enforcement in this Province. The proceedings will be fully minuted and the issues identified at this Provincial Legotla will feed into the national environmental compliance and enforcement Legotla to be held in February 2012. Speakers from a range of relevant stakeholders have been invited to provide their perspectives on the issue, the full details of which appear in the programme (see on the following page). We have allowed for a full hour's discussion at the end of each of the two sessions, which should hopefully provide you with an opportunity to raise your questions, concerns and suggestions. We hope that you will be able to attend and look forward to your active participation.

Date: Wednesday, 25 January 2012

Time: 08:15 – 13:30

Venue: Oliver Tambo Moot Court, 5th Floor, Kramer Law Building, Middle Campus, University of Cape Town

RSVP: Please RSVP to Achmad Bassier at achmad.bassier@pgwc.gov.za by Friday, 20 January 2012.

PROGRAMME

TIME:	ITEMS:	PRESENTER
08:15 – 08:30	Welcome and opening	Eshaam Palmer / Alexander Paterson
Session 1 (Chairperson: Alexander Paterson)		
08:30 – 08:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Green Scorpions”: Environmental Enforcement (Overall perspective of environmental crime and challenges in the WC – “Brown issues”) 	Achmad Bassier and Farah Abrahams (Environmental Enforcement, Western Cape)
08:45 – 09:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waste Management (Challenges in respect of compliance and enforcement of waste management) 	An official from Waste Management (Waste Management, Western Cape)
09:00 – 09:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air Quality Management (Challenges in respect of compliance and enforcement of air quality licences) 	Kama Chetty (Air Quality Management, Western Cape)
09:15 – 09:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity Crime Unit (Overall perspective of environmental crimes pertaining to wildlife and biodiversity and its challenges in the WC) 	Paul Gildenhuis (Head: Biodiversity Crime Unit, Cape Nature)
09:30 – 09:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coastal and Estuary Management (Challenges in respect of compliance and enforcement along our coasts) 	Pierre de Villiers (Programme Manager: Marine Protected Areas, Islands and Estuaries, Cape Nature)
09:45 – 10:45	Discussion and questions	
Tea / coffee (10:45 – 11:00)		
Session 2 (Chairperson: Loretta Feris)		
11:00 – 11:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case Studies (Enforcement case studies) 	Gary Birch (Legal Administration, Western Cape)
11:15 – 11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 24G (Overview of this provision and its procedure) 	Zaidah Toefy (Section 24G Applications, Western Cape)
11:30 – 11:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City Perspectives (Overall perspective of environmental crimes and challenges in the City of Cape Town) 	Linda Ndlela (Head: Environmental Management Systems and Audit, City of Cape Town)

11:45 – 12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Blue Scorpion” Perspectives (Challenges in respect of compliance and enforcement in the Department of Water Affairs) 	Thandu Stemila (“Blue Scorpion”, National Department of Water Affairs)
12:00 – 12:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil Society Perspectives (Challenges facing communities and civil society) 	Melissa Fourie/Dina Sack (Centre for Environmental Rights)
12:15 – 13:15	Discussion and questions	
13:15 – 13:30	Closure and Way Forward	Pieter van Zyl (HOD, Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning)